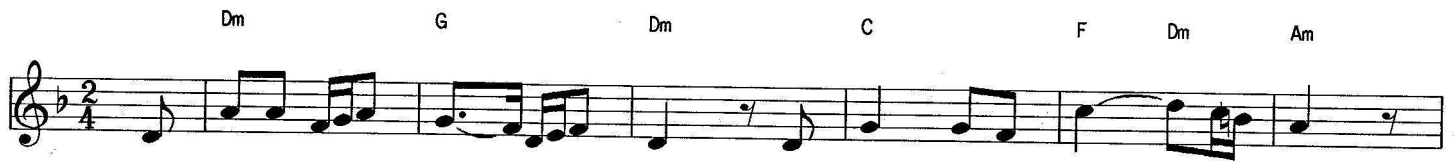


Bristol Town

No. 4.

Fast



1. In Brist-ol town as I... have heard tell A rich mer-chant there.... did dwell.
 2. Court- ed she was. by ma- ny in the town, Court- ed she was by ma-ny a cle-ver man,
 3. Till a brisk young sai- lor he came from the seas. he did the la- dy well please;
 4. When her fa-ther came for to. be told She was court-ed by this jol-ly sai-lor bold;



He had a daugh-ter beau-ti-ful and bright,... On her he fixed his own heart's de- light.
 Court- ed she was by ma-ny a cle-ver man,..... But none could this young la-dy's heart gain.
 He was a brisk young man al-though a sail-or poor, And the la-dy did the sai-lor a- dore.
 "No! Ne- ver! Ne-ver, oh! While I do live,..... Not a- ny por- tion un- to you. I'll give!"

5
 "As for your portion I do not care,
 I'll wed the man whom I love so dear,
 I'll wed the man that I do love so,
 If along with him a-begging I go!"

6
 Her father kept a valiant servant man,
 Who wrote a letter out of hand;
 This letter was the sailor to invite
 To meet her in the valley by night.

7
 Her father kept a valiant Irishman,
 And fifty pounds he gave him out of hand,
 And a brace of pocket pistols likewise,
 He mounted, and away he did ride.

8
 He mounted and away he did ride,
 Till at length the jolly sailor he espied,
 At length the jolly sailor he spied there,
 A-waiting for his joy and his dear.

9
 He said "I am come to kill you indeed,
 Away! Back to some tavern with speed;
 Cheer up your heart with bowls of good wine,
 And soon I'll make you know my design:

10
 I will go back to my master with speed,
 Saying "Master I have killed that man,
 indeed!
 I have buried him all in his grave so low,
 Where streams and fountains over him do flow."

11
 In course of time the rich merchant died,
 Which filled the lady's heart full of pride;
 Now she's married to that man, you know,
 so brave,
 Who her father thought was dead, and in his grave."

